

		NTSB ID: DCA97MA059		Aircraft Registration Number: N27UA	
		Occurrence Date: 08/07/1997		Most Critical Injury: Fatal	
		Occurrence Type: Accident		Investigated By: NTSB	
Location/Time					
Nearest City/Place MIAMI	State FL	Zip Code 33152	Local Time 1236	Time Zone EDT	
Airport Proximity: Off Airport/Airstrip		Distance From Landing Facility: 1		Direction From Airport: 270	
Aircraft Information Summary					
Aircraft Manufacturer Douglas		Model/Series DC-8-61		Type of Aircraft Airplane	
Sightseeing Flight: No			Air Medical Transport Flight: No		
Narrative					
<p>Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:</p> <p>On August 7, 1997, a Douglas DC-8-61 freighter, Fine Air cargo flight 14, crashed after departure from runway 27R at Miami IAP, Miami, FL. The flight was operated under 14 CFR Part 121 as a supplemental air carrier. The three crewmembers and one security guard onboard were killed. One individual in an automobile on the ground was also killed. The airplane was destroyed by impact and postcrash fire. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed at the time. See NTSB/AAR-98/02 for details.</p>					
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<b>Landing Facility/Approach Information</b>					
Airport Name	Airport ID:	Airport Elevation	Runway Used	Runway Length	Runway Width
MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPO	MIA	11 Ft. MSL	27R	10502	200
Runway Surface Type: Asphalt					
Runway Surface Condition: Dry					
Type Instrument Approach: NONE					
VFR Approach/Landing: None					
<b>Aircraft Information</b>					
Aircraft Manufacturer	Model/Series		Serial Number		
Douglas	DC-8-61		45942		
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Transport					
Landing Gear Type: Retractable - Tricycle					
Homebuilt Aircraft? No	Number of Seats: 0	Certified Max Gross Wt.	283875 LBS	Number of Engines: 4	
Engine Type:	Engine Manufacturer:	Model/Series:	Rated Power:		
Turbo Fan	P&W	JT3D-3B	18000 LBS		
<b>- Aircraft Inspection Information</b>					
Type of Last Inspection	Date of Last Inspection	Time Since Last Inspection	Airframe Total Time		
Continuous Airworthiness		Hours	39891 Hours		
<b>- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information</b>					
ELT Installed? No	ELT Operated?	ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site?			
<b>Owner/Operator Information</b>					
Registered Aircraft Owner	Street Address				
FINE AIRLINES, INC.	4600 NW 36TH ST, BLDG 22				
	City	State	Zip Code		
	MIAMI	FL	33152		
Operator of Aircraft	Street Address				
FINE AIRLINES, INC.	4600 N.W. 36TH STREET, BLDG 22				
	City	State	Zip Code		
	MIAMI	FL	33152		
Operator Does Business As: FINE AIR			Operator Designator Code:		
<b>- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held:</b>					
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s): Cargo					
Operating Certificate:			Operator Certificate:		
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 121: Air Carrier					
Type of Flight Operation Conducted: Non-scheduled; International; Cargo					
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Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? Yes				Current Biennial Flight Review? 04/1997																																																																																
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<b>Weather Information</b>					
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF Elevation	WOF Distance From Accident Site	Direction From Accident Site
MIA	1236	EDT	0 Ft. MSL	0 NM	0 Deg. Mag.
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition: Clear				Ft. AGL	Condition of Light: Day
Lowest Ceiling: None			Ft. AGL	Visibility: 10 SM	Altimeter: 30.00 "Hg
Temperature: 34 °C	Dew Point: 26 °C		Wind Direction: Variable		Density Altitude: Ft.
Wind Speed: Light and Variable	Gusts:		Weather Conditions at Accident Site: Visual Conditions		
Visibility (RVR): Ft.	Visibility (RVV) SM		Intensity of Precipitation:		
Restrictions to Visibility: None					
Type of Precipitation: None					

<b>Accident Information</b>					
Aircraft Damage: Destroyed		Aircraft Fire: Ground		Aircraft Explosion: Ground	
Classification: U.S. Registered/U.S. Soil					
- Injury Summary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	TOTAL
First Pilot	1				1
Second Pilot	1				1
Student Pilot					
Flight Instructor					
Check Pilot					
Flight Engineer	1				1
Cabin Attendants					
Other Crew	1				1
Passengers					
- TOTAL ABOARD -	4				4
Other Ground	1	0	0		1
- GRAND TOTAL -	5	0	0		5


  

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Administrative Information		
Investigator-In-Charge (IIC) ROBERT P. BENZON		
Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Incident Investigation:  JOSEPH MANNO AAI-100		
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